

INUNDATION AND HAZARD MAPPING ON RIVER ASA, USING GIS

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Abstract

The prevalence of flooding in Nigeria has underlined the need for rational and accurate mitigation of the menace. The major part of River Asa in Ilorin is traditionally identified as a flood prone area of Kwara State. Most of the flood management strategies in this region have been geared towards ‘preventing’ flood by an attempt to contain the river. No attention is paid on forecasting on the extent of flood for a particular return period due to insufficient hydrological record. Preparation of a comprehensive flood hazard map for this river would be the one of most crucial steps for implementing non-structural remedial measures. Therefore, this research was aimed at producing an inundation and hazard map using a Geographical Information System across River Asa. Thirty (30) years of rainfall data obtained from Kwara State meteorological station was used to derived hydraulic discharge of the river using Institute of hydrology method of model. Log Pearson Type III model was for flood frequency distribution. The elevation data was obtained by extracting the contour lines on the Federal Survey maps. Digital Elevation Model (DEM) was generated from the contour lines of the catchment by interpolating contour values using GIS. The floodplain map was obtained by analysing the combined factors of rainfall, land use variation, DEM and slope, being the major factors contributing to the flooding of an area. The actual catchment area contributed to Asa dam discharge is 537.30 km² and soil infiltration capacity is medium with value of 0.35 because more than 55% of soil formation is stone basement formation. The built up area within the catchment has increased by 14.353 km² (23.89%) with an annual change of 1.3km² between 1976 and 2004. Log Pearson Type III model gave a discharge ranges from (6306 – 10,458) m³/s for return period between (2-50) years. The flood risk map showed that 56% of existing structure will be at risk at discharge value of 50 years return period. The study produced inundation and hazard map of River Asa using Remote sensing data. The map will help state government in making decision to mitigate flooding.

Keywords: River, Remote sensing, Flooding, Hazard map, ArcGIS

1.0 Introduction

Federal, state and local government have embarked on developmental and protective works on different water courses; such include river basin, canal, sea bed and stream across the country. The developmental works include construction Zungeru and Mambiladam for hydro-power, canal for irrigation, multipurpose water resources projects and navigation works (Olaniyan, 2014). The protective works include flood embankment, channel improvement, and erosion control works like levee, spurs and bank pitching. Most of the protective work has been taken up on major rivers like Asa River in Ilorin, Ogunpa and Ajegunle canal in Lagos where the problem of river instability, flooding and consequent bank erosion are particularly severe (Olaniyan, 2014).

In Nigeria, flooding is a common experience in all parts of the country. The causes are mainly from the three major factors namely: heavy downpour, overflow of drainage channels and emergency release of water from dams. Flooding is an important issue of global concern as a result of its effects on man and his environment. Heavy rainfall for considerably longer periods often builds up excess water beyond which percolation can accommodate. As a result of this, the water level begins to rise until it begins to flood in the direction of slopes and into neighbouring depression. Flooding in major cities of Nigeria like Ilorin, the largest urban centre in North Central Nigeria is a common

phenomenon which occurs along river course of the city each time when major rivers in the city such over flow its bank (Aboderin, 2015).

Moreover, population growth has brought about pressure, which keeps forcing millions of people, especially poor people to settle in unsafe areas with inherent associated risks. Flooding cannot be completely avoided, but damages from severe flooding can be reduced if effective flood prevention scheme is implemented. Mitigation is hence the cornerstone of emergency management. The non – structural methods of mitigation of flood hazards are less expensive as compared to structural ones (dams and lakes). Among the non – structural methods, modern flood forecasting and real – time data collection system have grown favour in countries prone to flood hazards (Adewale *et al.*, 2010)

Aboderin (2010) researched on delineation of flood vulnerable zones and disaster risk management on Asa river. Many research with no emphasis on the extent of flood when the river inundate its bank especially on major river such as Asa due to inadequate hydrological record Nigeria as nation has less than 200 rain gauging station with average record length of 60 years. In recent time, there have been extreme climatic condition due to climate change, rapid urbanization and change in land use, the intensity of rainfall has increased tremendously causing flood in many area and countries worldwide. It is therefore prudent that such a natural hazard is addressed in a way to reduce the impact it causes on people and the environment base on available discharge record (Olaniyan *et al.*, 2015).

There is high tendency for further flooding along river plain. The importance of this study is to provide information that would be helpful in regulating development along the flood plain and provide visual information on extent of the flood and expected area to be affected. (Grafton and Hussey, 2011). This study modelled inundation and hazard map of River Asa using Geographic Information System (GIS), HEC-RAS and HEC-GeoRAS hydraulic model. Landsat imagery of 30m resolution was used in this study. Thirty years (30 years) rainfall data from Nigerian Metrological Agency was used for discharge and flood frequency models. Steady flow state is considered since flow condition is assumed constant for upstream and downstream section of the river.

1.1 Environmental Studies Using GIS

Geographic Information System (GIS) is designed to visualize, store and analyse the information about locations, topology and other environmental features and attribute (Alaeddine, 2013). GIS programs are capable of storing and managing these data in a relational database embedded in the system. In GIS, environmental data and their map representations are dynamically linked so that any changes made in the databases are reflected immediately on its map presentation. This linkage between the map and the databases makes GIS an ideal and strong tool for environment data visualization and analysis (Adewale *et al.*, 2010).

Water demand of any community includes; sanitation, drinking manufacturing, construction, leisure and agriculture. Integrated water resources management activities include; planning, development, distribution and management of hydrological features for the optimum use of water resources. Integrated water resources management is an approach that seeks to supply water in the right quantity and quality and allocate water on an equitable basis to satisfy all uses and demands (Olaniyan *et al.*, 2015; Grafton and Hussey, 2011).

GIS is a general purpose technology which can be used effectively water resources engineers for

water management planning. The water management planning processes include; Watershed delineation, Floodplains identification, Pollution detection and Groundwater delineation. GIS is capable of organizing and processing hydrological spatial attributes in database to support suitable and effective decision making. In addition, GIS can be used for developing hydrological models. These models are used to assess water availability in watershed, groundwater level and availability and spring flows (Alaeddine, 2013).

One of the most powerful aids of GIS hydrology is the new tools for creating spatial and spatiotemporal models of land surfaces, climatic phenomena (e.g. precipitation, and temperature) and soil properties from measured data. The inclusion of the ANUDEM elevation gridding procedure in Arc Info (Version 7.0 and higher) illustrates these new capabilities. ANUDEM and TOPOGRID take irregular point or contour data and create square-grid digital elevation measurements (DEMs). The procedure automatically moves spurious pits within use-defined tolerances, calculates stream and gridlines from points of locally maximum curvature on contour lines and incorporates a drainage enforcement algorithm to maintain fidelity with a catchment's drainage network (Collins *et al.*, 2012; Jibril, and Liman, 2014).

1.2 Floodplains Identification

Environmental Agencies have invested substantially in collecting hydrometric and topological data using various techniques. This data are used for a wide range of purposes such as flood risk mapping, catchment flood management plans, shoreline management plans and integrated coaster zone management using GIS. These results provide essential information for day to day asset management and long term flood risk management. GIS is useful to store and manage hydrological data to generating flood inundating and hazard maps. This will be useful in flood risk management (Minya *et al.*, 2005).

Most hydrological processes are time dependent. Spatially referenced time-series data are frequently encountered in simulating hydrological events. Therefore, it is important to have an efficient data structure and data management system to handle spatially-referenced time series data. Data structures designed can be either embedded in or connected to a GIS map to manage and analyze the spatially-referenced time series data efficiently and effectively (Minya *et al.*, 2005; Olaniyan *et al.*, 2015).

2.0 Methodology

2.1 Study Area

The study area is Ilorin the state capital of Kwara State, North Central Nigeria. It is located on latitude 8°30' N and Longitude 4°33' E with an area of about 1000 km square. The state has river Niger as its natural boundary along the Northern and Eastern Margins and share boundary with Niger state in the North, Kogi in the East, Oyo, Qndo and Osun states in the south and international boundary with the Republic of Benin in the West (Jibril, and Liman, 2014).

The geology of Ilorin consists of Pre-Cambial basement complex. The elevation varies from (273 - 333) m in the west with isolated hill (Sobi hills) of about 394m above sea level and (200 – 364) m in the East. Also, the climatic condition is humid tropical type characterized by wet and dry season. The temperature in Ilorin is uniformly high throughout the year (Aboderin, 2015).

The vegetation of the area of study was characterized by scattered tall tress shrubs, of between the height of ten and twelve feet. Some of the notable trees include butter trees, Acacia, Locust beans, Baobab, Akin-apple etc. Ilorin is covered mainly by ferruginous soil on crystalline acidic rock. This soil type has both sandy and clayey deposit lying on top of each other. The soil surface is made up of sandy deposit characterised by low water holding capacity. The land use pattern was majorly residential, industrial, agricultural and recreational. The data collected are Field measurement data i.e. record of the river and spatial data from spatial agencies. These data were analysed using theoretical and overlay analysis (Adewale *et al.*, 2010).

2.2 Land-use Map

The input maps required for generating the land use was obtained from Federal Ministry of Environment, and Goggle Earth, The maps are scanned Analogue land use-map of 1976 and 1987, Google Earth land use map Of 1994 and 2004. The input maps were imported in to ArcGIS environment through a process known Adding of Data. The Digitised land-use and Google maps were geo-referenced, that is, the map was given its correct coordinates through the process of geo-referencing within the ArcGIS environment.

The extraction of the land use data from the input map involved other processes such as; rectifying, digitizing, laying-out and exporting. The land use pattern considered were shrubs, forested, industrial, residential, paved, clayey, loamy and sandy areas. Laying-out is the act of given necessary attributes of a map to our newly produced map.

2.3 Digital Elevation Measurement (DEM)

The input required for generating DEM are elevation data of Kwara State. These elevation data would be obtained by extracting the contour lines on the Federal Survey maps. Geographic Positioning System (Garmin GPS) was also used to retrieve the elevations of selected stations to improve the accuracy of the result. DEM was generated from the contour lines of the catchment by interpolating contour values using GIS. The contour lines were first transformed to point features. The point features were interpolated to produce a spatial variation of elevation with the catchment. The spatially varying elevation is the required DEM. Natural Neighbour method of interpolation was used to generate the DEM.

2.4 Floodplain Map

Floodplains mapping of the river was based on the land use, rainfall, elevation, and slope data. The slope map which shows the variation of the rate of change of elevation with distance in degree was generated from the DEM. The rainfall data of Asa dam catchment on Table 2 were used to compute discharge base on method of Hydrological Institute of Technology, and returns period of 5, 10, 25, 50, 100 and 200 years were projected using log Pearson's Type III model (Olaniyan, 2014). Discharge values of 50years return period were further analysis with GIS, HEC-RAS and HEC-GeoRAS to produce Inundation map of the river.

3.0 Results and Discussion

The built up area around the catchment between 1976 and 2004 has increased by 14.353 km² (23.89%) with an annual change of 1.3 km². The cultivated area also increase by 83.381 km² (12.49%) with an annual change of 7.58 km² between 1976 -1987. While between 1987 and 1994,

the built up area increased by 15.7199 km² (26.158%) with an annual change of 2.25 km². Also, between 1994 and 2004 the built-up area increased by 50.6451 km² (66.8%) with an annual change of 5.06 km². There was lost in cultivated area by 69.598 km² (10.41%) with an annual change of 6.96 km². There was increased in vegetal cover as much as 11.953 km² (60.32%) with an annual change of 1.8 km².

Between 1984 and 1993 there were four (4) years of rainfall record with standard average annual rainfall (SAAR) exceeded 100mm. While between 1994 and 2003, the number of year with standard average annual rainfall (SAAR) exceeded 100 mm increased to six (6) years which are 1998, 1999, 1995, 2003, 1997 and 1994 with 132.96, 128.28, 117.43, 108.2, 103.7 and 103.45 mm, respectively. Also, between 2004 and 2013, the number of years with SAAR exceeded 100 mm increase to seven (7) years. These years are, 2009, 2008, 2013, 2007, 2005, 2006 and 2004 with 125.30, 122.38, 107.19, 109.09, 108.83, 108.39 and 107.99 mm, respectively (see Figure 1).

The maximum annual discharge of Asa dam was calculated using Institute of Hydrology method of computing discharge from un-gauged catchments. The actual catchment area contributed to Asa dam discharge was 537.30 km² and soil infiltration capacity was medium with value of 0.35. More than 55% of soil formation is stone basement formation. The simulated maximum discharge on the river using Institute of Hydrology method is presented in Table 1.

From Table 1, the discharge value of 1998 and 1999 are 9092.81 m³/s and 8719.48 m³/s which are the highest discharge value respectively. This is due to high rainfall intensity and rapid change in built-up area of annual change of 5.06 km². The Flood-Frequency estimation using Log-Pearson Type III model is presented in Table 2. The Tin map of Asa River is shown in Figure 2 and the Inundation map at 50 years return period is presented in Figure 3.

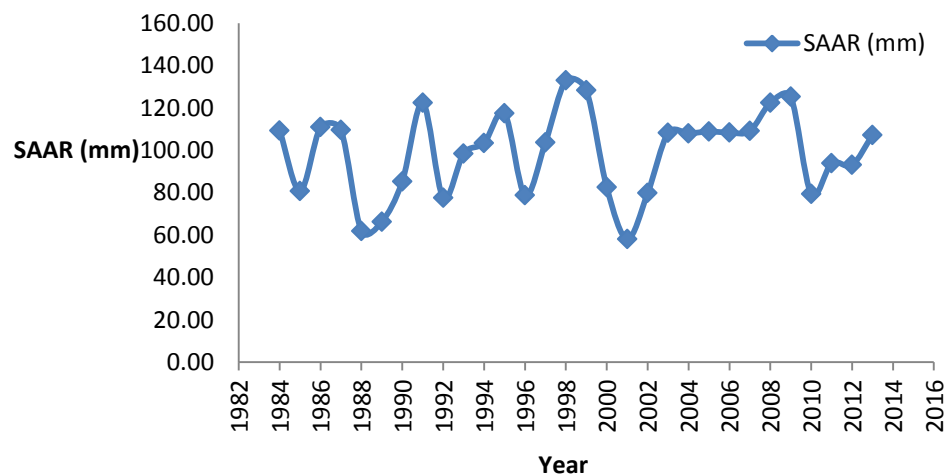


Figure 1: Standard Average Annual Rainfall (SAAR) of the Catchment

Table 1: Maximum annual discharge of Asa Dam using institute of hydrology method

Years	SAAR (mm)	Area (km ²)	Soil	QBAR=0.00108AREA ^{0.89} SAAR ^{1.17} SOIL ^{2.17} (m ³)
1984	109.35	537.30	0.35	7233.73
1985	80.78	537.30	0.35	5075.63
1986	110.89	537.30	0.35	7353.07
1987	109.54	537.30	0.35	7248.44
1988	61.78	537.30	0.35	3708.83
1989	66.22	537.30	0.35	4022.55
1990	85.33	537.30	0.35	5411.70
1991	122.37	537.30	0.35	8251.33
1992	77.63	537.30	0.35	4844.84
1993	98.44	537.30	0.35	6396.69
1994	103.45	537.30	0.35	6779.21
1995	117.43	537.30	0.35	7862.96
1996	78.78	537.30	0.35	4928.91
1997	103.70	537.30	0.35	6798.38
1998	132.96	537.30	0.35	9092.81
1999	128.28	537.30	0.35	8719.48
2000	82.53	537.30	0.35	5204.51
2001	58.09	537.30	0.35	3450.98
2002	79.76	537.30	0.35	5000.73
2003	108.20	537.30	0.35	7144.80
2004	107.99	537.30	0.35	7128.58
2005	108.83	537.30	0.35	7193.50
2006	108.39	537.30	0.35	7159.48
2007	109.09	537.30	0.35	7213.61
2008	122.35	537.30	0.35	8249.75
2009	125.30	537.30	0.35	8482.95
2010	79.43	537.30	0.35	4976.53
2011	93.86	537.30	0.35	6049.88
2012	93.08	537.30	0.35	5991.10
2013	107.19	537.30	0.35	7066.83

Table 2: Rainfall data of Asa dam Catchment (1984-2013)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	SAAR
1984	0.00	0.00	84.33	88.30	139.90	214.30	267.70	272.50	158.80	83.50	2.60	0.00	109.33
1985	0.80	0.00	51.30	56.20	175.60	14.90	251.10	97.30	293.10	20.50	8.50	0.00	80.78
1986	5.50	90.70	109.20	58.30	97.50	264.20	126.90	153.90	196.80	220.90	6.80	0.00	110.89
1987	0.00	3.60	68.90	19.60	79.40	183.70	186.50	336.70	221.90	105.80	108.41	0.00	109.54
1988	73.30	26.20	48.30	103.20	11.60	196.30	69.20	59.60	107.70	43.10	2.60	0.30	61.78
1989	0.00	0.00	46.50	54.60	42.70	199.50	95.80	119.00	121.30	115.20	0.00	0.00	66.22
1990	0.00	5.40	0.00	80.10	144.80	136.40	185.00	86.00	261.40	61.40	16.19	46.60	85.27
1991	3.10	19.70	92.10	128.00	355.70	119.00	325.90	138.80	112.70	172.90	0.50	0.00	122.37
1992	0.00	0.00	0.00	41.50	140.40	72.50	116.30	49.20	289.70	166.40	55.60	0.00	77.63
1993	0.00	3.60	51.60	29.80	141.40	142.60	146.50	203.30	234.80	202.30	25.40	0.00	98.44
1994	39.90	0.00	19.80	223.00	156.00	131.20	89.60	87.00	260.60	234.90	0.00	0.00	103.50
1995	0.00	2.10	33.30	122.00	209.60	171.30	218.70	232.10	188.50	154.60	46.80	30.20	117.43
1996	0.00	0.90	61.40	25.80	143.20	152.80	104.20	131.40	262.70	62.90	0.00	0.00	78.78
1997	0.00	0.00	50.70	179.50	216.90	229.50	102.90	86.00	344.80	21.70	0.80	11.60	103.70
1998	0.00	0.30	19.00	107.40	169.20	241.60	209.00	334.60	338.10	176.30	0.00	0.00	132.96
1999	0.00	15.10	68.00	118.30	171.30	269.20	179.50	138.10	268.90	248.30	35.70	0.00	126.03
2000	34.80	0.00	19.60	45.90	105.60	194.20	81.00	185.00	281.70	42.50	0.00	0.00	82.53
2001	0.00	0.00	13.80	53.30	145.10	137.30	85.10	57.00	173.60	31.90	0.00	0.00	58.09
2002	7.20	0.00	28.40	106.70	45.80	96.80	160.00	257.90	93.30	155.10	5.90	0.00	79.76
2003	0.00	3.60	25.30	81.50	98.00	370.80	94.20	80.70	400.10	125.70	18.44	0.00	108.20
2004	2.10	0.00	45.10	77.50	210.30	310.40	192.50	156.80	187.90	104.10	9.20	0.00	107.99
2005	0.00	8.00	60.10	108.80	255.70	211.50	133.80	63.80	271.50	179.80	1.00	11.90	108.83
2006	0.60	10.00	79.40	97.50	192.40	129.70	195.40	86.00	259.00	250.70	0.00	0.00	108.39
2007	0.00	0.00	31.60	98.90	285.50	158.20	199.30	134.10	241.70	152.90	0.30	6.60	109.09
2008	0.00	0.00	20.50	106.10	42.30	241.10	318.60	226.30	270.30	224.50	4.80	14.00	122.38
2009	11.10	1.20	179.00	223.90	76.00	177.00	313.40	209.10	185.70	122.80	4.40	0.00	125.30
2010	0.00	0.00	29.40	73.50	95.10	89.30	95.10	143.80	267.30	148.30	11.40	0.00	79.43
2011	0.00	0.00	23.10	21.10	122.80	212.90	93.10	203.40	247.50	202.40	0.00	0.00	93.86
2012	0.00	22.10	4.00	138.20	138.20	152.80	120.70	123.40	230.00	153.70	8.7	25.20	93.08
2013	4.80	5.50	38.40	223.40	121.70	148.40	110.60	51.40	266.50	308.80	0.0	0.00	106.63

Source: Nigerian Metrological Agency, Ilorin International Airport.

Note: SAAR (Standard Average Annual Rainfall in mm)

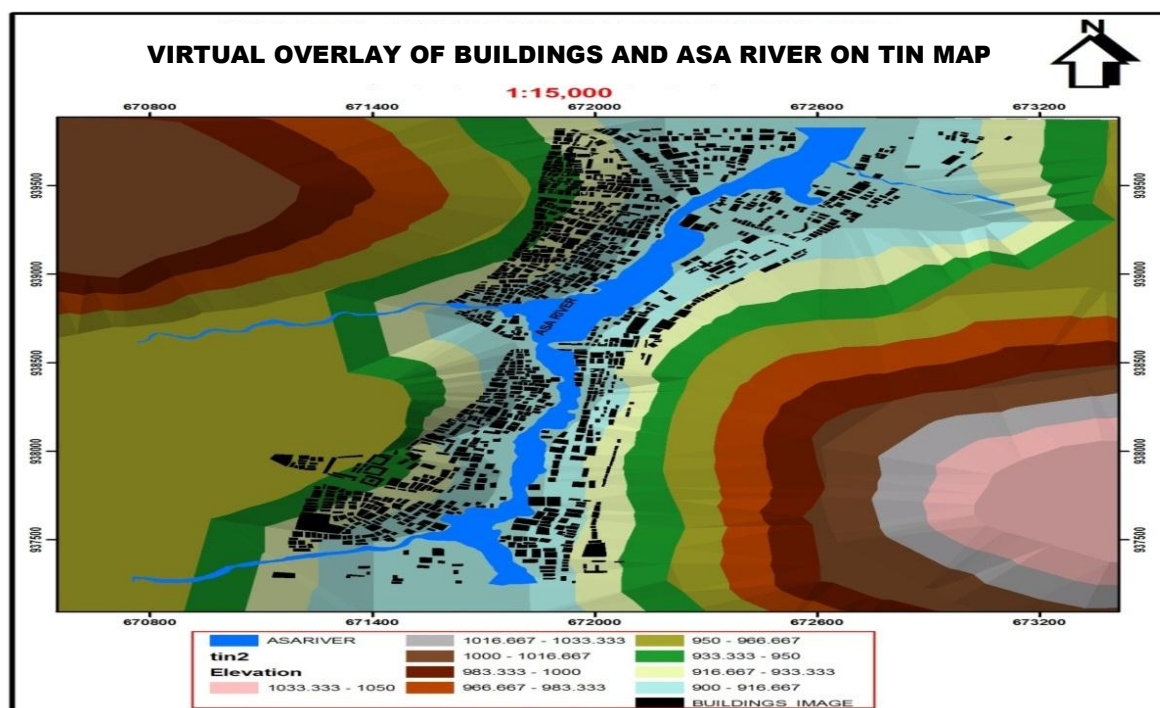


Figure 2: Tin Map of Asa Dam

Table 3: Flood Frequency Model using Log Pearson Type III Model for (1984-2014)

Return Period T_r	Frequency factor (-0.1)	Discharge $Q(m^3/s)$
1	-2.400	3404.377
2	0.017	6306.424
5	0.846	7791.418
10	1.270	8681.315
25	1.716	9727.284
50	2.000	10458.081
100	2.252	11152.380
200	2.482	11826.222

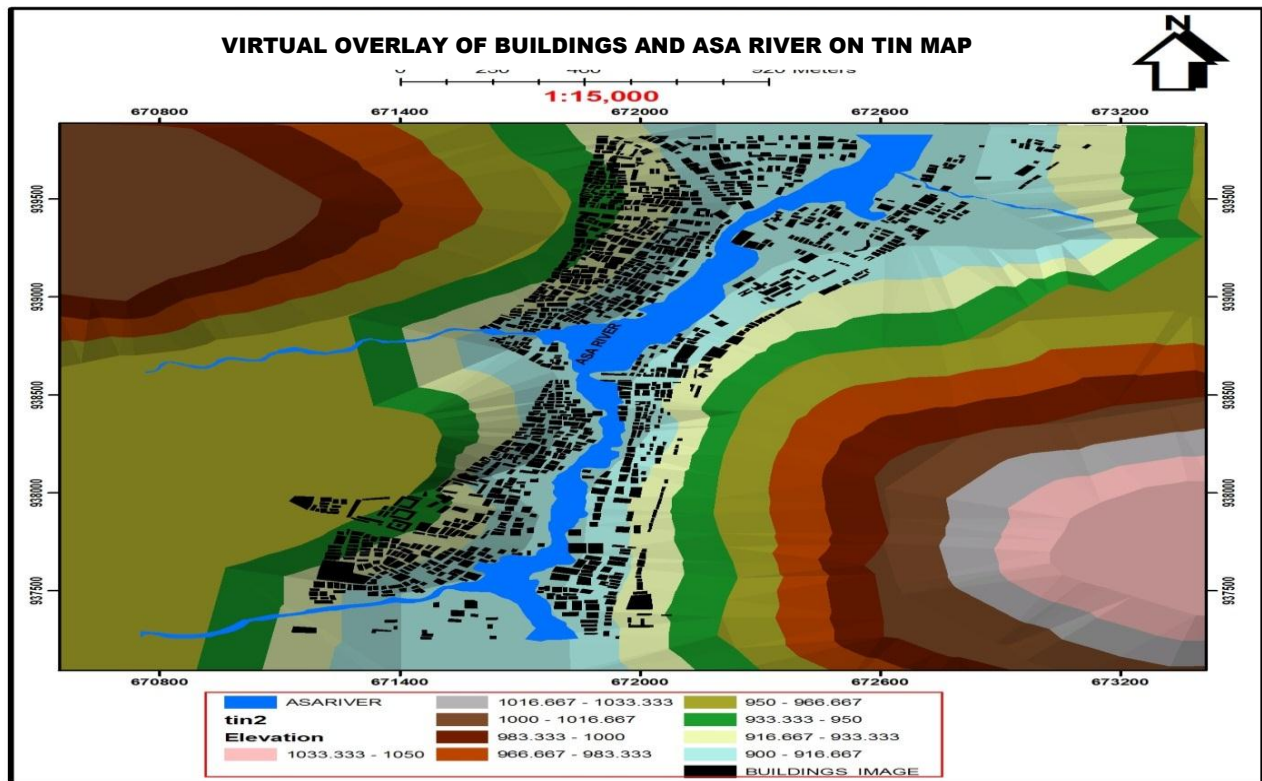


Figure 3: Inundation Map of Asa River at 50 years Return

4.0 Conclusion and Recommendation

From this study, the following conclusions were drawn:

- The discharge simulated using Institute of hydrology model varied from 3450.898 – 8482.93 m³/s.
- Flood frequency model using Log Pearson Type III at return period between (2 - 200) years ranges from (6306.424 – 11,826.22) m³/s.
- The Inundation map showed that 56% of existing structure will be at risk at discharge value of 10,458.081 m³/s for 50 years return period.

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